

KAISER IN COMMAND SPURS TEUTONS IN CARPATHIANS TO DESPERATE OFFENSIVE

Fierce and Unexpected Galician Assaults in Stryj Valley Forces Slav Realignment for Uszok Pass Objective—Germans Again Shell Ossowitz and Deliver North Poland Attacks.

French Troops Forced Back In Le Pietre Forest, According to an Official Report From Berlin—Heavy Fighting Rages Near St. Mihiel—Paris Reports Lines in Woevre Being Reformed as Offensive Operations Are Temporarily Halted.

The Kaiser is at the Carpathian front, and the first effect of his personal charge of the campaign is a vigorous offensive, conceded in semi-official reports from Petrograd.

Resumption of Teuton activity is marked in the Stryj region, which is nearly equidistant from the strategic points of Uszok Pass, Przemysl, Lemberg and the Bukovina border. Emperor Wilhelm, according to the same advices, has ordered the Germanic forces, evidently reinforced, to cut through the Slav left wing to force abandonment of the pressure against Uszok Pass and the harrying of Bukovina.

In North Poland, according to Petrograd official bulletins, the Germans have opened a new bombardment of Ossowitz and made minor assaults at Suwalki and other points.

The admission by the French War Office that the offensive in the Woevre region has been temporarily suspended while the lines are being reformed is regarded as significant in London and Paris. The French admit that the Germans are attacking at several points along the St. Mihiel-Pon-a-Mousson line, but say that the attacks were repulsed.

British aviators bombed Antwerp and Bruges and damaged a railway line used by the Germans.

Berlin officially reports gains at Priestwald (La Pretre Forest), and says all French attacks in the Woevre have been repulsed. Heavy fighting is going on near St. Mihiel.

AUSTRO-GERMANS LAUNCH NEW GALICIAN OFFENSIVE

Kaiser, in Command, Inspires Fierce Assaults in Stryj Valley.

PETROGRAD, April 13.

Emperor William is personally directing operations of the Austro-German armies in the Carpathians, according to a semi-official statement issued here today.

The offensive in the Stryj region is due to the arrival of the Kaiser at the front, and he has issued an order to cut through the Russian left wing in order to force an abandonment of the attacks being made upon the Austro-German positions at Uszok Pass.

The Bourge Gazette's correspondent at Lemberg telegraphs that the Austrians, previously reported on the verge of complete retreat, have launched fierce attacks upon the Russians along the Stryj and Opor and Swico Rivers. To oppose these a rearrangement of the Russian forces has been found necessary. Reinforcements are being rushed to this region, where the Austrians captured Hill No. 92, a dominant strategical position, by a night attack.

General Alexander Linsinger, of the German army with 250,000 soldiers, is conducting the Stryj region operations, having superseded the Austrian commander there. He has under his control five armies.

THE WEATHER



Director Norris throws his job to fight for better housing. Sunday up in Peterson. Keeps bounding at courting. The President gives up his trip. Out West with muttered, "Tut, tut!" Hysteria in America. But sworn to keep his mouth shut. The Legislature's rocking in. The threat of local option. With temperature at 43. Spring uniforms the cops don. The baseball teams are on the mark. Tomorrow starts the season. We do not care for aught of this. Spring fever is the reason.

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Fair and continued cool tonight and Wednesday, with probably frost tonight; moderate winds, mostly north-west.

For details, see page 2.

Observation at Philadelphia 9 A. M.

Table with weather data: Barometer, Temperature, Wind, etc.

On the Pacific Coast.

Almanac of the Day.

Lamps to be Lighted.

The Tides.

PORT RICHMOND.

FRENCH REFORM LINES FOR ATTACK IN WOEVRE

Paris Confident Germans Will Be Driven Back on Metz.

PARIS, April 13.

The French troops have not yet resumed their expected offensive around St. Mihiel, according to dispatches from the front today.

The process of redistributing French regiments for the second phase of the great battle continues. Paris is confident that the next great effort will drive the Germans out of St. Mihiel and send them scurrying back toward Metz.

The official communique from the War Office this afternoon had little to say concerning the St. Mihiel fighting. The French, according to the communique, are in contact with the enemy at many places, fighting their way through the German wire entanglements.

Between the sea and the River Aisne there have been artillery engagements in the last 24 hours. East of Berry-au-Bac and near Soissons the French gained several German trenches.

LONDON BELIEVES FRENCH OFFENSIVE HAS FAILED

Admission by Paris That Germans Are Attacking in Woevre Significant.

LONDON, April 13.

Admission by the French War Office that the Germans are now on the offensive in the St. Mihiel-Pon-a-Mousson region brought disappointment to English military circles today.

Despite a reassuring statement from Paris that the French forces were being reformed for another attack, last night's official French statement was taken to mean that the new French offensive has failed.

ENGLISH CENSOR IN CONTROL OF ALL ALLIED WAR NEWS

French Cable Messages Diverted to London to Be Passed Upon.

LONDON, April 13.—England now controls all sources of the Allies' war news, not only in her own country but also in Russia and France. The English censor is supreme.

A few weeks ago reports were current that a German submarine had cut the lines of the French Cable Company running from France to the United States. This was incorrect. England had taken the final step to shut off all news except that which passed through her censor's hand.

For several months the English Government officials were irritated by the fact that German cables from Petrograd and Paris reached America without passing through London. Some military secrets which the British War Office had concealed were revealed by Paris and Petrograd dispatches.

This is now impossible. Dispatches from Paris have to go via London to the United States.

GERMANS GAIN IN LE PRETRE, REPULSE FRENCH ATTACKS

Official Berlin Report Says Fighting at St. Mihiel Still Raging.

BERLIN, April 13.

Repulse of all French attacks east of the Meuse River is announced in today's official report from the German General Staff, which also states that the German troops are slowly gaining ground in Priestwald (Le Pretre Forest), where fighting continues day and night.

The report shows that there has been no lessening in the violence of the fighting in the Woevre region, where the French have launched attack after attack in their attempt to drive the Germans back and force the abandonment of St. Mihiel salient.

Automobile Thieves at Work.

JOHN MEIGS SWORN IN TO SUCCEED DIRECTOR NORRIS



The resignation of George W. Norris as Director of the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries was quickly followed today by the appointment of Assistant Director Meigs to the position. Mayor Blankenburg is shown here administering at oath of office. In the circle is a recent portrait of the new Director.

BULLETINS

BREAK IN BETHLEHEM STEEL

NEW YORK, April 13.—After establishing a new high record on the stock exchange at 155, compared with 124, last night's close, Bethlehem Steel broke 32 points to 123 this afternoon. It closed at 125.

FAVORABLE LOCAL OPTION REPORT

HARRISBURG, April 13.—By a unanimous vote the House Law and Order Committee this afternoon decided to report out with an affirmative recommendation the Williams County unit local option bill, introduced by Governor Brumbaugh.

PRISONERS PUT TO DEATH

LAREDO, Texas, April 13.—At least two hundred prisoners captured by the forces of General Carranza at Huisachita were executed last night, according to information given out today by General Herrera, commander of the Carranzista garrison in Nuevo Laredo.

The wounded Villista soldiers were shot to death as they lay upon the battlefield.

STREET CAR CRUSHES LITTLE GIRL'S LEGS

Susie Hummel, 9 years old, 58th street and Willows avenue, was run down by a street car today at 60th and Webster streets.

Both her legs were crushed. She is in the University Hospital.

GIRLS IN PANIC WHEN FIRE NEARLY CUTS OFF ESCAPE

Fourteen girls were thrown into panic today when fire in the rear of the second floor of the Wallace Shoddy Mills, 2022 South Juniper street, threatened to cut off their escape. The prompt arrival of the firemen and the bravery of the 25 men employed in the plant enabled all to reach the street in safety.

The blaze started when a nail caught in a carding machine. The friction caused sparks, which set fire to the wool in the machine. The firemen were seriously hampered in their work by the smoke, but the fire was extinguished before it could do more than \$150 damage.

CHIEF JUSTICE GUMMERE REAPPOINTED

TRENTON, April 13.—Governor Fielder today sent to the Senate the nomination of William E. Gummere to be Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court succeeding himself in that office. The term is seven years and the salary \$13,000. The Chief Justice had held that post since November, 1901.

LINER WILL FLY SUFRAGE FLAG ACROSS THE OCEAN

NEW YORK, April 13.—Forty women, headed by Miss Jane Addams, of Chicago, called on the liner Noordam today to take part in the international peace conference of women to be held at The Hague. As chairwoman of the women's peace party, Miss Addams will address the conference in behalf of the United States. Mrs. Amos Pinchot is another member of the delegation. The flag of the woman suffrage party will be flown by the Noordam all the way across.

SUBMARINES SINK EIGHT TRAWLERS, BRITISH FEAR

GRIMSBY, England, April 13.—Eight British trawlers, carrying approximately 85 men, are long overdue, and it is feared they have been sunk in the North Sea by mines or German submarines.

HINDENBURG CALLS FOR 300,000 REINFORCEMENTS

LONDON, April 13.—A news agency dispatch from Amsterdam states that Field Marshal von Hindenburg has called for 300,000 reinforcements for an early spring attack upon Warsaw.

DOCTOR ANNOUNCES CURE FOR LEPROSY

SAN FRANCISCO, April 13.—Claiming to have discovered an entirely new treatment for leprosy and announcing that he can cure the disease, which has baffled scientists and doctors for centuries, as easily as any other disease if it has not reached an advanced stage, Dr. Adolph H. Boehmer, medical adviser of the late King Chulalongkorn of Siam, arrived here today from the Orient. The doctor said his cure was a serum injection which will eventually drive the disease out of existence.

AMERICAN FIRMS BENEFIT BY \$80,000,000 ORDER

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Russia has deposited \$20,000,000 with the National City Bank of New York, J. P. Morgan & Co. and the Bank of Montreal as the first payment on an \$80,000,000 order for shrapnel placed with the Canadian Car and Foundry Company. Thirty American firms are working on contracts for part of the work, and in the course of the next week 10 more are likely to receive contracts from the Canadian company.

DESERTED GIRL BRIDE HAS HYSTERICS

A 19-year-old bride, deserted Easter Sunday by her husband, became hysterical in the City Hall corridor outside the entrance to the probate department of the Domestic Relations Court today. She is Mrs. Thomas E. Ford, of 51 Widoa street, who was married at Elkton, Md., four months ago, after eloping. She is now at the Presbyterian Hospital.

FIVE KILLED, FORTY INJURED IN EXPLOSION

LONDON, April 13.—At least five persons were killed and more than 40 hurt, many of them fatally, in the terrific explosion at Lerwick today. A dispatch from there says: "An explosion occurred in a store near the fish market. Five followed, causing a tremendous explosion of gun cotton in the hay station. Many houses were destroyed and the fish market gutted by fire. A military investigation is under way, as it is suspected the explosion was caused by a spy."

FRENCH AIRMEN FIRE ON HAMBURG; SHELL MUELHAUSEN

COPENHAGEN, April 13.—French aviators bombarded the German port city of Hamburg on Monday. The barracks were set on fire and a number of Germans are reported to have been wounded. Hamburg lies upon the Elbe River. Six French airmen bombarded Muelhausen, the southernmost German stronghold on the Rhine, and Halstern on Sunday.

SAVES WOMAN'S LIFE BY BREAKING A RIB

Breaking a rib to induce artificial respiration was successful in saving the life of Mrs. Margaret Forrest, 65 years, 22d street near Green, at the Garrison Hospital today. Mrs. Forrest attempted suicide by inhaling illuminating gas last night. All attempts to revive her at the hospital failed until the doctors decided to break a rib. The woman said the reason for her attempted suicide was that she had no money and was threatened with eviction.

GERMANY DECLARES WAR ON "SCHNAPPS"

LONDON, April 13.—The war on demon rum is about to enlist another recruit. Following the lead of Russia, which has placed a ban on vodka; France, which has prohibited the sale of schnapps, and England, which is curtailing the drinking of spirits, Germany is about to publish an edict prohibiting the sale of distilled liquors in saloons. The decree will prevent the German workmen from obtaining "schnapps," his traditional drink, until after the war.

PRESIDENT INDICATES POPE'S CO-OPERATION

Peace Suggestion From Vatican Made Informally; See Ray of Hope.

WASHINGTON, April 13.

That President Wilson has been offered the co-operation of Pope Benedict in an effort to restore peace in Europe today was indicated by the chief executive in his talks with callers.

The offer did not come formally, but the President declined to go into details as to how it was made to him. He would not discuss peace prospects at present. He said, however, that without desiring to discourage the work of the peace delegates now sitting at The Hague, the meeting had no official sanction from any government and its work would be entirely advisory.

Peace advocates see in the decision of the President to abandon his proposed trip to San Francisco the likelihood that this Government will take active steps, at the opportune time, to offer its services toward a peaceful settlement of the war abroad. Such negotiations may be opened at any time this summer, it is believed, and the President, therefore, decided to remain here.

In connection with the appeal to the United States by Pope Benedict XV for aid in bringing the war to an end, foreign diplomats attach significance to the President's abandonment of all plans to leave Washington for any extended period. The fact that the Pope should have chosen this time to send his message is attributed to his earnest desire that peace be obtained before Italy can join in the combat.

The extraordinary memorandum attacking the neutrality of the United States, filed with the State Department by Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, today was taken up by President Wilson and his cabinet.

It was understood that the Administration would suspend action pending receipt of official information as to whether the unusual language used by the Ambassador in the note to the State Department was sanctioned by the Berlin Foreign Office.

BEATEN FOR HIS CHIVALRY IN PROTECTING TWO GIRLS

W. D. Baker Has Satisfaction of Seeing Men Held for Court.

Chivalry in protecting two young women led to an assault on W. D. Baker, of the Portable Buildings Company, 658 Baltimore avenue, Fernwood, who today had the satisfaction of seeing two men held for court.

Two terrified girls came into Mr. Baker's office last night and asked him to protect them from two men who were following them. He went out and warned a group of young men, while the girls went home.

When Mr. Baker left the office for the night two men set upon him and beat him severely. Policeman Forbes, of the 66th street and Woodland avenue station, arrested Joseph Burton, 207 Angora avenue, and Henry Rushton, 556 Baltimore avenue, who were held in \$500 bail by Magistrate Harris.

STEEL MILLS BOOMING IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Carnegie Plant at Greenville Resumes With Full Quota of Men.

GREENVILLE, Pa., April 13.—The Greenville mill of the Carnegie Company went on full time this morning, working a large quota of men for the first time in several months.

The Greenville plant of the Chicago Bridge and Iron Company is operating a thrilling spectacle in the resumption of the completion of this order by June means another order from the same source.

COAST GUARDS RESCUE VESSEL

Crowds on Shore Eagerly Watch Thrilling Spectacle.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., April 13.—Federal coast guards, this morning, gave visitors a thrilling spectacle in the rescue of the schooner Heister, a fishing craft from New Bedford, Mass., from the shoals off the inlet.

The boat attempted to negotiate the inlet passage, but blundered on the bars. While a big crowd watched from the Boardwalk, the coast life savers flushed out the schooner and after two hours' work guided the ship free. She was but slightly damaged and was towed into the inlet.

ROCHE HELD WITHOUT BAIL FOR CORONER

Young Man Whose Arrest Resulted in Policeman's Death Accused of Homicide.

Thomas J. Roche, Jr., son of Thomas J. Roche, president of Miller, Bain, Beyer & Co., was arraigned before Magistrate Beaton at Central station today, and held without bail on a charge of homicide, to await the action of the Coroner in connection with the death of Special Policeman Philip Doris, until the time of his injury attached to the Trovadero Theatre, Doris, who was injured while attempting to place Roche and Robert J. Snyder, Jr., son of a Bell Telephone Company official, under arrest, on March 27, died today in the Hahnemann Hospital.

Young Roche's arraignment is the result of what was planned as a harmless escapade, but the police claim that he was directly responsible for fatal injuries sustained by the special officer. Roche has been at liberty since the accident occurred, under \$10,000 bail. He was rearrested this morning by Detectives Mahoney and Hodge, of the murder squad, when it was learned that Doris had lapsed into a sinking spell from which the doctors were unable to arouse him.

No testimony was offered at Roche's hearing today. Detectives simply told the coroner that Roche was the man who was directly responsible for the death of Doris, and Magistrate Beaton said he would have to hold the young prisoner for the coroner's inquest. Roche had nothing to say.

At the time of his first arrest Roche

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R. T. LINCOLN TO TESTIFY IN INDUSTRIAL INQUIRY

Excused for Present, But Will Appear Before Commission in May.

CHICAGO, April 13.—Robert T. Lincoln, chairman of the board of directors of the Pullman Company, will not be forced to come to Chicago to testify regarding the affairs of his company before the Federal Commission of Industrial Affairs, it was announced by Chairman Walsh when the commission met today. Mr. Lincoln's testimony will be taken in Washington on May 6, Mr. Lincoln having signified his willingness to testify at that time.

St. J. Koenigsmann, president of the Telegraph Union, said the policy of that company was always against the telegraphers' union, except for a brief interval in 1907, when the company was willing that its men should join the union and which time it had granted a 10 per cent. increase in wages. Shortly thereafter the big strike came and the old policy was reverted to.

VARE CALLS ON MAYOR

Senator Leads Delegation Urging Signing of Ordinance.

A delegation of citizens from the 35th ward, led by Congressman William S. Vare called on Mayor Blankenburg today and urged him to give his approval to an ordinance passed at the last session of Council to open Snyder avenue, from 23d to 22d streets.

Another ordinance affecting the ward is pending in Council for the paving of 35th street, from Tasker street to Snyder avenue.

The members of the delegation contended that the opening of the streets would enable the extension of trolley tracks over the Passayunk avenue bridge and increase property assessments. They said that property increases in their locality had been \$28,000,000 in the last 20 years.

Mayor Blankenburg said he would consider the measure before Thursday.

The delegation included Elmer Guenther, Common Councilman Robert Smith, David Patchell, the Rev. James F. Hallahan, Select Councilman William J. Huston and Frank Ryan.

U. S. PAYS FOR "CREASES"

Supervisor Wilson's \$2 Bill for Pressing-Approved.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Controller of the Treasury Downey today approved a claim of Horace C. Wilson, supervisor of Indian schools, Roseburg, Oregon, for \$2 for having his pants pressed.

The Controller, however, rejected Wilson's bill for \$250 for property damages sustained in a runaway. He held that Wilson was guilty of contributory negligence in failing to tie the horse which he had hired.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST, striped or stolen—Sunday, April 11, 1915, Franks' dog, about 3 years old, black and white, collar with "L. L. L." on it. Return 214 Locust st.

THE KENSINGTONIAN SAYS:

A Harry Edwards, the slang artist of the Arsenal, was seen buying one of those new light hats last week in town.

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LOST—Small gold box, initials F. E. L., returned Broad and 11th, on Chestnut, return in 15th street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Other Classified Ads on Pages 44 and 45